

Local Family Council COVID-19 Informational Call Notes

Details

Facility: Monroe Correctional Complex

Date and Time: 3/4/2022, 1pm – 2pm

Attendees

Joanne Todd	Superintendent Jack Warner
Josephine Johnson	Associate Superintendent John Padilla
Kim Day	Health Care Manager Lisa Anderson
Diane Durall	Health Care Manager Elke Jackson
Melody Grandaw	CPM Terry Cohn
Caryl Darby	CPM Kari Styles
Diana Knesek	PIO Kristi Webb, AA4
Cait Moore	Local Business Manager Mariam Isaac
Ron O'Neil	CS Kaela Chong
Diane Pasta	Heather Trenk
Ryan Swanek	CUS Leslie O'Connor
Stephanie Brown-Meadows	Correctional Industries Ron Klamert
Kehaulani Walker	Paige Perkinson
Program Specialist Page Perkinson	Captain Bill Frantz
Heather Hamilton, OCO	Captain Ina McNeese

Informational Call Update

There has been 90 (1 last report however I believe the reporting as "1" was a mistake.) incarcerated individuals who have tested positive for COVID in the last 30 days. MCC has had a total of 1691 (increase by 1 since last report) COVID positive incarcerated individuals to date.

MCC has had a total of 445 (up from 443) confirmed staff cases over the course of the pandemic.

MCC was released from Limited Area Cluster Status.

We will be doing TRU's Kid Focus Gift Giving event on 3/16 (pending approval on this date still) that has been on hold since November due to TRU isolation/quarantine status. The I/I's that signed up for this event will be able to shop for their pre-approved child/children, wrap the present and write in a card, we will then mail home the gift to the child.

We provided cheer bags in the visiting room at all institutions for every scheduled visit this weekend. Attached is the table flier that explains what is in each bag.

WSRU had a chicken and donuts fundraiser yesterday. MSU has a fundraiser set for March 26th. Both SOU and TRU are also working on a fundraiser for their units and I will share those dates when I have them.

Isolation and Quarantine Units

IMU COVID Unit

IMU Continues to house both COVID positive and Quarantine Individuals on separate Pods.

Pre-submitted Questions

No presubmitted questions for this meeting.

Other Questions

Question 1

LFC Co-Chair discussed the Family Council Policy related to the provision that no member could speak on behalf of, or represent the Local Family Council unless the motion is approved by the majority of members.

Some LFC members are asking if the incarcerated can have one day (each) removed from their sentence to match each day the Governor's Office proclaimed emergency due to COVID.

Answer

This question was sent to Lisa Flynn for determination. How would the determination of "majority" be determined? Majority of attendees, or majority of the Council whether they vote at all?

Question 2

MSU Visiting does not have a Visitor bathroom and Visitors are required to leave the building to use an available bathroom. What can be done to resolve this?

Answer

As a result of this question, during the meeting, CPM Cohn had custody officers go and inspect the area. Apparently this was being used for storage. This issue has been resolved and Visitors will not have to leave the Visiting area.

Question 3

When scheduling a visit on-line, we are asked to print a copy of the COVID-19 Testing document, and also our scheduled Visit Confirmation. I don't have a printer. Do I have to have these things?

Answer

It is always best if you can print your Visiting Confirmation, and pre-prepare your COVID-19 Rapid Antigen Test document. This helps with ease of in-processing. If you can't print the testing document, we have extras on-site. I do encourage people to call ahead to confirm they are scheduled, and there has been no disruption to Visiting. The Visiting staff do have a copy of the schedule.

Question 4

If I want to leave the Visiting session before the end of the 3 hours, can I?

Answer

Yes, you may leave early. It is best if you plan to leave early to let assigned Officers know, however even an unplanned determination to end your visit early will not interfere with your ability to leave.

Question 5

When will Extended Family Visiting return?

Answer

I know this is being reviewed at Headquarters. I don't have a date to share yet but anticipate hearing something sometime this month.

Comments/Closing

Thank you everyone. We will talk again next week.